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Attn: PCT LEGAL OFFICE

Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/517,643 based on
PCT/FR03/02979
Fluid Connector for Medical Use and Uses Thereof
Dalle et al.
Our Ref: MART0840US

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Patent and Trademark Office has erroneously issued a Notice of Acceptance of Application in the above referenced patent application.

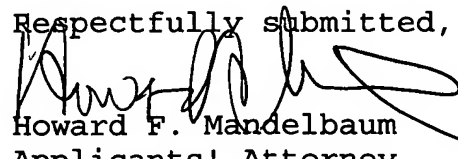
The above referenced application to enter the national stage in the U.S. was filed on December 9, 2004 without an inventors' declaration. The application had 10 numbered claims including several multiple dependent claims many of which were dependent on other multiple dependent claims.

No notice of missing requirements has been received. A Notice of Acceptance of Application acknowledging receipt of the never filed inventors' declaration was mailed on May 18, 2005 with a filing receipt stating that the total number of claims is 10.

Please reconcile the matter and issue the anticipated notice of missing requirements

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Respectfully submitted,


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